

Hongkong Telegraph

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1894.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL\$3,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP2,510,931.15

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTRY BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST:
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHARTREY INCHEALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [32]

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.**

**AUTHORISED CAPITAL£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED£1,185,000**

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

**INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS** at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months5 per cent.
" 6 "4 " "
" 3 "3 " "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [30]

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.**

**AUTHORISED CAPITAL£1,000,000
Subscribed Capital£500,000**

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman, Hongkong, Esq.,
Chan Kit Shao, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
H. Stollerfoht, Esq., Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and
Amoy.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,
Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7]

Insurances.

**THE
STANDARD
ENDOWMENT
ASSURANCE**

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANT-
AGES of this form of Assurance, the
following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision
for wife and family or other relatives
in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment
for the regular accumulation of
small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are
larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN
THREE YEARS IN FORCE—
should the Policy-holder wish to dis-
continue future payments—he will
be entitled to receive, on application,
a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a
proportionate amount of the Sum
Assured, as explained in the Pros-
pectus.

Full particulars on application,
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

NOTICE.

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1893. [173]

GENERAL NOTICE.

**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).**

**CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000] \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND\$318,000.00**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUK MOON, Esq.,
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.,

MANAGER:—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE: 5 & 6, PRINCE STREET.

Intimations.

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILD-
ING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDI-
NARY GENERAL MEETING of the above
COMPANY will be held at the Registered
Office of the Company, 3rd and 4th, Queen's
Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 6th day of
January next, at NOON, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors together
with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December,
1893.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 1st January to 8th
January, both days inclusive.

By Order,
HART BUCK,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1893. [44]

**THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
above COMPANY will be held at the Office of
the Company, Connaught House, on
FRIDAY, the 12th day of January, 1894, at
NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts to 30th September, 1893, and for the
election of Directors and Auditors.

By Order,
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1893. [45]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the
**KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART
MAATSCHAPPIJ,**

are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading to
Ports of Java, Sumatra (East and West Coast)
Celebes, Timor, Sunda Islands, Dutch New
Guinea, &c., &c. Bills of Lading for through
Cargo from these Ports to be presented to the
Undersigned for countersignature.

LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.
Hongkong, 25th November, 1893. [1289]

**EAST POINT DAIRY AND FARMING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FROM the 15th instant and until further
notice the PRICES for the COMPANY'S
PRODUCE will be as follows:—

FRESH MILK..... Imperial Pint Bottle,
6 Cents.

FRESH MILK..... Ordinary Pint Bottle,
8 Cents.

FRESH BUTTER..... Per Pat, 25 Cents.

SPECIAL TERMS for yearly or half-yearly
contracts.

A. RUMJAHN,
Secretary & Manager.

51, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 12th December, 1893. [1357]

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS,
(Corner of Queen's Road and Duddell Street.)

THE Undersigned has always thought that
such a place as this was the one thing
needed to fit in between HOTEL LIFE and the
PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE—providing it be
first-class in every detail. A place where one
may have his GRILLED CHOP or STEAK
at any hour of the Day, up to 11 P.M.; or later
if notice be given. He is also prepared to
SUPPLY MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES
per MENU or ORDER—the Parties sending
Diapers, &c., for same—and Cash. Scale on
application.

**Monthly Board for One Person.....\$35.00
Tiffin\$15.00**

AMERICAN FROZEN OYSTERS always
on hand and served in every Style.

**Breakfast\$0.50
Tiffin\$0.75
Dinner\$1.00**

SPECIAL TIFFINS and DINNERS served
in Excellent Style at short notice.

W. THOMAS,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1893. [31]

**PRIVATE BOARD
AND
RESIDENCE.**

12, GLENEALY BUILDINGS.

MRS. GILLANDERS.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1893. [34]

**J. W. KEW & CO'S
STEAM WATER BOATS.**

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE attention of SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS and
CAPTAINS is called to the Superior Quality
of TITAM FILTERED WATER offered by
J. W. KEW & Co., also to the advantages
derived from their being able to Supply their
Water to one-fourth the time occupied by the
old fashioned and obsolete hand pumps.
No impeding the loading or discharging of
Cargo.

Quickest despatch with lowest possible rates.
J. W. KEW & Co.,
c/o Cammell & Co., Ld.

Hongkong, 13th June, 1893. [1684]

**F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MER-
CHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS
AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.**

PRINCE CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

**SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S RAHTIEN'S GENUINE
COMPOSITION.**

**HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT,
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES,
&c., &c.**

**EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES and REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.**

REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 10th Decr. 1893.

Intimations.

**CENTRAL HOTEL,
SHANGHAI.**

Electric Lighting
throughout
the Premises.

Telegraphic Address:—
"CENTRAL
SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the
centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath
and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid
on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

**F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.**

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**DAWSON'S PERFECTION
OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.**

**ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East,
68, Queen's Road Central.**

Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW STOCK OF SADDLERY.

RACING GEAR.

STABLE REQUISITES.

**RACING SADDLES, WHIPS, BRIDLES, WEIGHT CLOTHS, SADDLE CLOTHS,
&c., &c., &c.**

LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1893. [32]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

**JUST RECEIVED,
FRESH SUPPLIES**

OF

CAPSTAN NAVY CUT TOBACCO1 lb. & 1 lb. Tins.

WILLS' TRAVELLER BRAND TOBACCO1 lb. Tins.

PIONEER BRAND TOBACCO1 lb. Tins.

PAGODA BRAND TOBACCO1 lb. Tins.

OTTO DE ROSE CIGARETTESBoxes of 100.

SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTESBoxes of 500.

KINNEY'S STRAIGHT CUT CIGARETTESBoxes of 500.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,

**THE
HONGKONG HOTEL.**

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "KREMLIN"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East,
affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of
the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf,
(the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping
Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.
THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being
under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to
spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public
BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers
and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1893. [108]

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST OPENED

A FINE Collection of New Fancy Goods in PLUSH, HAND-PAINTED SILK, RUSSIA
and other fine Leather Goods.

Handsome Boxed American Christmas Cards. Artistic Christmas Cards very pretty & cheap.

TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS.

Great variety of Children's Books for Christmas. All the Annual Volumes for Boys and Girls.

Handsomely bound Books for presents. New Framed Pictures.

STYLOGRAPHIC PENS.

DANCING PUMPS, LADIES SHOES, TENNIS RATS, SHOES, BALLS.

New French Novels. Christmas Novels of Graphic Illustrated.

"PEARLS," "BLACK and WHITE," "QUEEN."

**W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD.**

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL
TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE BUFFET and the LADIES' WAIT-
ING ROOMS adjoining will be OPEN
to the PUBLIC in a few days.

**JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.**

Hongkong, 13th December, 1893. [42]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE LONG RANGE CUP will be shot for
on SATURDAY, the 6th inst.—Rangers,
700 and 800 yards. Time, 2.45 P.M.

**ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.**

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1894. [45]

**NGAI SHANG,
22, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.**

RATTAN FURNITURE
of Every Description.

**CHAIRS, COUCHES, TABLES, BASKETS,
CHILDREN'S COTS, &c., &c.**

Latest Patterns, Best Workmanship.

**Rattan Core, Split Rattan, Canton Reed and
Sundries of all kinds.**

Hongkong, 28th November, 1893. [35]

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

**WINE and SPIRIT
MERCHANTS,**

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND
GLASGOW.

13, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 24th August, 1893. [36]

**THE PHARMACY,
25, QUEEN'S ROAD.**

MESSRS. FLETCHER & Co. beg to
inform the Residents of Hongkong and
the Shipping Community, that they have now
OPENED at the above address. The Store is
managed by a thoroughly competent Chemist
who takes every care that all DRUGS and
CHEMICALS used in the compounding of pre-
scriptions are PURE and FRESH.

FLETCHER & Co. have on hand a good
selection of Druggists' Sundries and Patent
Medicines.

Telephone No. 74.

FLETCHER & Co.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893. [28]

**D. R. KNORR'S
LION BRAND
ANTIPYRINE.**

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROY.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MI-
GRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM,
FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE,
ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and
many other complaints. It is also the very
best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by
the Medical Faculty. Ask for DR. KNORR'S
ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's
signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

"DERMATOL" is the best Vulnerary; its
effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds,
is described as amazing.

To be had at every reputable Chemist and
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for
China.

Beware of spurious imitations.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1894. [406]

Hotels.

**FUJIYA HOTEL,
MIYANOSHITA,
HAKONE.**

Four and a half hours from Yokohama.

**FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION.
NATURAL HOT SPRINGS.**

**THE ELECTRIC LIGHT IN ALL THE
BUILDINGS.**

TWO NEW ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

**S. N. YAMAGUCHI,
Proprietor.**

PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed
HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,500 feet
above sea-level, having been leased by the
Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL" in
New York and will be run in connection with
their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling
them to offer special inducements to Visitors and
Residents.

**SPECIAL WINTER RATES,
FROM NOVEMBER 1ST, 1893, TO MARCH 31ST,
1894.**

One person, per day.....\$ 5.00

One person, per week.....15.00

One person, one month.....45.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per
day.....10.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per
week.....30.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per
month.....90.00

For full particulars apply to
VICTORIA HOTEL.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1893. [5]

Masonic.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1,165, E.C.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 4th
instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1894. [47]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"LENNOX,"
Captain Ward, will be despatched for the above
Ports on or about 4th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.
CONFECTIONERY, &c.

WE have just received our New Stock of CONFECTIONERY and are offering the same at prices suitable for the present bad times.

CHOCOLATE CREMES.
PATES D'APRICOT.
CHOCOLATE ALMONDS.
FANCY BOXES OF SWEETS of various kinds from 2 Dollars to 25 Cents.
SUGARED ALMONDS.
BURNT ALMONDS.
MIXED SWEETS.
TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS.CIGARETTE CASES, CIGAR CASES, CARD CASES.
In SILVER, ELECTRO, SNAKE SKIN, RUSSIAN LEATHER, &c.
CIGAR & CIGARETTE HOLDERS, PIPES.
Hongkong, 13th November, 1893. 136

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

WE INVITE ATTENTION TO OUR STOCKS OF
CONFECTIONERY
AND
CHRISTMAS GOODS.JORDAN ALMONDS, NOUGAT, BUTTER
SCOTCH, ASSORTED TOFFEES,
DRAGEES, FRALINES,
and a large selectionof
PURE CONFECTIONERY
from the leading Manufacturers.CADBURY'S SPECIAL
CHOCOLATE CREMES.PINE, APRICOT, CHERRY, LIME, GUAVA,
and other
FRUIT JELLIES
in great variety.TOM SMITH'S
CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.COLOURED OPALS
MOUNTED IN PLUSH,
representing favourite subjects.A Large Assortment of
ENGLISH AND JAPANESE CHRISTMAS
CARDS,
of handsome and artistic designs, suitable to all
tastes and at moderate prices.A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1893. 15

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

FROM AND AFTER THE 1st OF JANUARY,
1894, THE SUBSCRIPTION TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" WILL BE THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM, OR TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF PER MONTH.

ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

BIRTH.
On the 23rd November, at Parklands, Dublin, the wife of HORACE HICKLING, of a son.DEATHS.
On the 24th November, at 58, Farrel-road, Stoke Newington, GEORGE AUGUSTUS FARRER, late Hongkong, suddenly, aged 67 years.

On the 24th November, suddenly, the Rev. W. S. SWANSON, D.D., of 19, Green-croft-gardens, South Hampstead, formerly a missionary in China.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1894.

OPIUM COMMISSION HUMBLED.

If the anti-opium fanatics were honest, the *Madras Times* thinks they would now shut up the Royal Commission, on the strength of the evidence already taken by that body in India, and pay the expenses of this most outrageous fad out of their own pockets. In this opinion almost every newspaper published in India concurs, especially the *Englishman*, a Calcutta journal, which sums up a caustic article, bearing on the strong evidence given by medical authorities, as follows:—

The only thing now left for the Opium Commission to do is to let these away to China

on the possibility of their discovering some more tangible grievance than could be produced for their education in India; and, no doubt, the sooner the anti-opium members are able to escape from the undignified position into which they have allowed themselves to be drawn, the better placed they will be. For the independent members who have come out to India to see justice done, the result must be only what they have long anticipated; and the speedy termination of their labours, to which they may now look forward, will be a matter of sincere satisfaction.

We are sadly afraid that if a "China section" of this abortive Commission is sent on, to follow up the investigations already made at a distance, it will find that it has come to the shores of Far Cathay on a fool's errand, and that it might as well endeavour to find Darwin's "missing link" as a "tangible grievance." With Sir W. B. Hupson, who absolutely declined to submit to examination by the Commission, we quite agree, that "not all the might of England will eradicate the use of opium in India, nor even materially curtail it, and that therefore the present enquiry is a waste of time and money;" and we may add with perfect safety and without any fear of contradiction, that even the combined might of the "Son of Heaven" himself, and all his Viceroy and satellites, would be powerless to cause the cessation of the growth of the poppy and the use of opium in the vast Empire of China. And if, to speak paradoxically, an impossibility were to happen and the opium trade were entirely abolished, we venture to assert that the work of the ubiquitous missionary in China would not in the slightest degree be made less farcical than it has hitherto been and is now.

And, by the way, it may now be asked why it is that the Anti-Opium League's organ, the *Sentinel* to wit, after a great flourish of trumpets over the appointment of a Royal Commission, now asserting that it was "a great scandal in the first place to appoint a Commission?" The *Methodist Times*, too, of November 2nd, says:—

The public are in great danger of being totally misled by the Royal Commission on Opium. It was a very unworthy dodge to propose a Royal Commission at all, as Parliament had already declared the trade with China to be morally indefensible; and what is morally wrong can never be politically and economically right. However, the enemies of purity, justice, and humanity have so far tried upon that they have secured the Royal Commission, and thus delayed the moral solution, and given officials interested in maintaining the Opium revenue ample scope for mystifying and misleading the public.

"The scandal was great," says the editor of the *Bombay Guardian* in his issue of October 14th. "In the first place, of appointing a Commission to inquire into the expediency or otherwise of ceasing a policy equivalent not to legitimate trade, but to thugism. The initial scandal is added to by placing persons on the Commission who are peculiarly interested in maintaining the Opium inquiry."

The same writer, in the issue of November 4th, speaking on the "sin" of the Royal Commission, says:—

A Royal Commission is not wanted to receive evidence upon a simple issue of right or wrong. A Royal Commission cannot alter the character of the sin. In the Royal Commission upon the Opium inquiry, we see a professedly Christian Government mocking at God and despising His Law. After more or less delay, the verdict of the Commission will be given, in a labyrinth of words, concerning an issue which any enlightened conscience could decide in five seconds. If we do not mistake the signs of the times, the verdict of God has already gone forth. He has been trifled with too long by high-placed personages who have compassed earth and hell to retain a Sodomite revenue. Although the Opium traffic is doomed, we do not believe that the head of God will be turned back from judgment. British "statesmen," so-called, have lost their last opportunity of repentance; and the Divine mandate has gone forth: "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin." Let those who will mock further.

All that we can say is that if such mad ravings of the fanatics against their own pet commission would not cause people to "mock further," we will eat the editorial hat.

TELEGRAMS.

BAD FOR THE TAX-PAYERS.

LONDON, 1st January, 1894.
The British Revenue returns for the last six months show a deficiency of two millions sterling. We knew this from our Indian exchanges a month ago.—Ed. H.K. Telegraph.]

Reuter's correspondent at Bulawayo reports that the natives are positive that a portion of Captain Wilson's party have escaped to the direction of Hartley Hill.

[Yes, and—well?—Ed. H.K. Telegraph.]

THE PARISH COUNCILS BILL.

The Government have arranged with the Opposition to finish the *Parish Councils Bill* by the 19th instant, both parties being desirous of lengthening the recess.

THE MANCHESTER CANAL.

Twenty-five vessels have entered the Manchester Canal.
[Why doesn't Reuter wire out specially that Queen Anne has joined the majority, or that Jack McTavish's cow has calved a cuddy, in place of this d—rot?—Ed. H.K. Telegraph.]

"NO WANTCHEE."

January 3rd.
The Duke and Duchess of York, while warmly thanking the Australian President for

their unanimous invitation to visit the Colonies this year, have, for family reasons, been obliged to decline the offered hospitality.

THE PARISH COUNCIL BILL.

The agreement between the Government and the Opposition to facilitate the passing of the *Parish Councils Bill* was the result of a compromise as to the contested points.
[Is this of any interest to anybody in the Far East? If so, will the interested one let an admiring multitude have the benefit of his views?—Ed. H.K. Telegraph.]

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"PRINCESS TOTO" at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, to-night at nine o'clock.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Dec. 31st are—Europeans, 103; Chinese, 1,317; total 1,420.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Kobe at midnight on Tuesday, and left again at noon to-day for Vancouver, via Yokohama.DR. SIMONS, retiring U. S. Consul at this port, who goes away in the *Belgic* to-morrow, was accorded a farewell dinner by members of the medical profession last night, Dr. Cantlie presiding.

AN Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Friday, the 10th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

IN the Osaka district, only recently freed from an epidemic of dysentery, compulsory vaccination has been resorted to as a means of stopping a threatened epidemic of smallpox. All persons under the age of 35 have had to undergo the operation.

If there is any truth in the rumour that there is a ferocious bull-dog in Yaumai which has a nasty habit of snapping at most inoffensive people, animals and things, the sooner the brute is exterminated the better will it be for all concerned. By the way, has the 1894 licence been taken out for this animal? *Verb. sap.*THE *Japan Gazette* understands that the Yokohama police who appeared before the British Court in connection with the trumped-up charge against M. Gailand have been submitted to disciplinary punishment for their conduct in the case. It is said that the Inspector also did not escape without heavy censure.MR. George Horspool returned to the colony, from leave of absence, by the *Thames* this morning and at once took over the duties of Deputy Superintendent of Police from Mr. Baddeley. Mr. F. H. May, Captain Superintendent of Police, is due here from Shanghai on Tuesday by the German mail.

AT a smoking concert given in Kobe the other night, things seem to have been lively, to say the least, for we read that the evening was wound up by a "grand prize fight" which, as a contemporary regretfully observes, was stopped by the Consular authorities just as it was becoming interesting. But whether the "mill" was dignified with a place on the programme is not stated.

It is little wonder that there should be something more than a "screw loose" in connection with the signal station at Kowloon Point, when it becomes known that vessels entering from the eastward have not been properly signalled for the past two days owing to the fact that the port signal hands were taken from the station by elements and fell off the flag-staff two days ago! They will be replaced by brand-new bairds before Easter at the latest, and in the meantime the starboard, or western, bairds may or may not be manipulated to do double duty in a more or less efficient manner.

AT the next meeting of the Sanitary Board, on Thursday, January 4th, at 4.15 p.m., Mr. Francis will move:—That in the opinion of this Board, 3 gallons of water per day, from a sanitary point of view, a wholly inadequate allowance of water in this climate, and that in limiting the free supply of water to many large blocks of buildings to that quantity, the Government are violating the understanding on the faith of which the extensive powers, granted by Ordinance 16 of 1890, were conferred by the Legislative Council.
Agenda.—1. Mortality return for week ended 23rd December, 1893. 2. Sanitary Surveyor's report on condition of drains at 7, 102, 120, and 184 to 200, Third street, 144, 150 to 166 (even numbers). 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